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COMMUNICATION

The European Patent Office herewith transmits

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- ☐ the declaration under Rule 45 EPC
- ☐ the partial European search report under Rule 45 EPC
- ☐ the supplementary European search report concerning the international application under Article 157(2) EPC relating to the above-mentioned European patent application. Copies of the documents cited in the search report are enclosed.

The following specifications given by the applicant have been approved by the Search Division :

- ☒ Abstract ☐ Title ☒ Figure
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1. claims: 1-10,13-32

Increasing the accuracy of the positioning solution in a mobile network in the presence of multipath using only the signals present in the network.

2. claims: claim 11,12

Providing an alternative means of determining position



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